



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Veronica Briseño, Assistant City Manager 
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FROM: José G. Roig, Director, Development Services Department 
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DATE: October 12, 2023

SUBJECT: Continuation of Moratorium on New Downtown Street Events

The City of Austin first instituted a moratorium on new street events in November 2014, given the challenges to maintain mobility with recurring events and considerable construction in downtown Austin. That moratorium has been renewed annually or bi-annually since then. Given that considerable challenges remain today and into the foreseeable future, and downtown continues to experience tremendous growth in both residential and workforce populations, the Austin Center for Events (ACE), in cooperation with the Austin Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW), is instituting an indefinite continuation of the moratorium.

The primary area of influence affected by this moratorium is the Downtown Austin Project Coordination Zone, bounded by Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to the north, Oltorf Street to the south, MoPac/Loop 1 to the west, and Chicon Street to the east. Several major public utility projects and many private development projects are underway with more scheduled in the future. Please see the attached appendix for a full list of projects underway and anticipated over the next few years.

Additionally, two multi-year major construction projects will have significant impacts on downtown roadways and affect some existing special events in the downtown area. Project Connect expects to start construction in 2024 with utility relocation work likely starting prior to major construction activities. The latest communications from TxDOT states anticipated construction related to IH-35 (Mobility35) in the downtown area may also start in 2024, barring any major changes to the project. ACE and TPW staff will begin working with event planners to incorporate anticipated construction timelines for these two major projects into their event planning activities.

In these unprecedented times, we realize the need to be flexible and responsive not only for the health of our residents and visitors but for the economic health of the community. Exemptions for smaller events as allowed by applicable safety guidelines may be granted based on review by the TPW Director and ACE Program Manager. First Amendment/free speech events will not be affected and will still require review by ACE staff so that we may make the appropriate safety preparations. Events outside the downtown core will also continue to be permitted as long as the Austin Center for Events has adequate staffing to facilitate the events and all safety precautions are met.

If you have any further questions, please contact Bill Manno, Austin Center for Events Corporate Special Events Program Manager (william.manno@austintexas.gov, (512) 974-2110).

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Attachment: Appendix

Appendix

Projects Underway

- **Projected Estimated Completion 2023**
 - Vesper @ 84 East Ave
 - Cambria Hotel @ 68 East Ave
 - citizenM Hotel @ 617 Colorado St
 - Horizon Bank Office Tower @ 600 W 5th
 - Sixth & Guadalupe / 6xG @ 600 Guadalupe St
 - Symphony Square Offices @ 1117 Red River St
 - The Waller Symphony Square @ 1104 Sabine St
 - The Linden Residences @ 313 W 17th St
 - Clarksville Condos @ 1315 W 9th St
 - Treaty Oak North @ 1111 W 6th St
 - T3 ATX East Side @ 1200 E 4th St
 - Micro Unit @ 1812 E 6th St
- **Projected Estimated Completion 2024**
 - Hanover @ 205 Brazos St
 - The Modern @ 90 Rainey
 - Stonelake @ 415 Colorado
 - Alto @ 924 E 7th St
 - 7 on 7th @ 1612 E 7th St
 - One Oak @ 2209 South 1st St
- **Projected Estimated Completion 2025**
 - Waterline @98 Red River
 - The Travis @ 80 Red River
 - The Republic @ 401 W 3rd St
 - River Street Residences @ 700 River St
 - 80 Rainey St Apartments @ 80 Rainey St
- **Projected Completion TBD**
 - 321 West Tower @ 321 W 6th St
 - Cadem Apartments Repair @ 91 Rainey St
 - TFC Capitol Complex Phase II Building 1 @1500 Congress
 - TFC Capitol Complex Phase II Building 2 @ 1501 Lavaca
 - Pathways at Chalmers Courts West @ 1638 E 2nd St
 - Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol Renovations @ 701 E 11th St
 - Zilker Point Tower @ 218 S Lamar
 - Paseo Apartment Tower @ 78-84 Rainey St

Projects Planned or Proposed

- **Projected Estimated Completion 2024**
 - Shoal Cycle @ 812 W 11th St
 - UT Frank Erwin Center Demo @1701 Red River St
- **Projected Estimated Completion 2025**
 - Annie B Apartment Tower @ 416 W 12th St
 - Perennial @ 204 E 4th St
- **Estimated Completion 2026**
 - Block 16 office tower project (Fleming's Stake House) @ 320 E 2nd St
- **Projected Estimated Completion TBD**
 - Hotel Mirabeau @ 1209 Red River St
 - Conrad Residences Tower @ 307 E 2nd St
 - Unnamed Towers Project (Whiskey Tango Foxtrot Icehouse) @701 W 6th St
 - Austin American Statesman Redevelopment (Endeavor) @ 305 S Congress Ave
 - Wilson Towers @ 410 E 5th St
 - Hilton Dual Brand Hotels @ 415 Lavaca St
 - East 9th St Multi-Family Micro Housing @703 E 9th
 - 5th St Trinity Hotel @ 307 E 5th St
 - AFD 1 /EMS 6 Station @ 401 E 5th St
 - MACC / Mexican American Cultural Center @ 600 Red River St
 - Dell Seton Medical Center N Tower Expansion @ 1500 Red River St
 - La Vista De Lopez @ 809 E 9th St
 - Austin L5 Hotel @ 298 W 5th St
 - South Congress Offices (901 South Congress Ave) (DAPCZ 6)
 - 1400 E 4th Office (DAPCZ 5)
 - 304 E 3rd High-Rise (DAPCZ 3)
 - Health South Redevelopment @ 1215 Red River St (Contract cancelled, site hold)
 - Health South Redevelopment @ 606 E 12th St (Contract cancelled, site hold)
 - UT Medical Centers @ 1701 Red River St
 - Hobby Building up for sale & development @ 333 Guadalupe ST
 - Conrad Austin Hotel & Residences @ 321 ½ E 2nd St
 - Autograph Collection Hotel @ 311 E 5th ST
 - Railyard Condo Redevelopment E @ 398 E 4th St
 - Multi-Tower Project by Endeavor @ 200 E Riverside Dr.
 - Grant Building Redevelopment @ 611 E 6th St
 - 5th + Red River (Stonelake Project, Camelo's) @ 504 E 5th St
 - Sabine Tower @ 1200 S I-35 Frontage Rd

- Hanover Residential Tower Project (Oilcan Harry's) @ 201 W 4th
- PearlStone Residential Tower @ 1308 Lavaca St
- East Tower Project (PearlStone) @ 62 E Ave
- West Residential Tower (Manifold) @ 506 West
- One Ladybird Lake (Old Seaholm Intake) @ 707 W Cesar Chavez St
- Project by CapitolWest @ 1205 Nueces

CIP and Public Projects

- **Project Completion 2023**
 - W 9th & 12th Water & Wastewater Renewal -CIP 2231.339
- **Project Completion 2024**
 - Zilker Park Multimodal Access Improvements
 - W 17th St Water & Wastewater pipeline Renewal -CIP 2231.308
 - Zilker Water & Wastewater Pipeline Renewal -CIP 2231.291
- **Projected completion TBD**
 - Zilker Park Multimodal Access improvements (In progress Est. 2024 completion)
 - Corridor Project- Barton Springs Rd to South 1st Intersection Safety -CIP 11899.010
 - South Lamar Boulevard: Barton Springs Road to US 290 (Spring 2024 Start Est.)
 - Academy Dr Water & Wast Water Pipeline Renewal- CIP @ Travis Heights Area
 - Barton Hills Water and Wast Water Pipeline Renewal -CIP 2231.294 @ Horseshoe Bend Area (2024 Completion)
 - Waller Creek Confluence-CIP 12861.002 @ Waller Creek from Lady bird lake to 4th St
 - East Bouldin Annie St Storm Drainage Improvements -CIP @ 200 W Annie St
 - Old Enfield Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal -CIP @2100 Parkway
 - Project Connect-AWU-CIP 13275.001 (Est Completion 2027) On Lamar from East Anderson to E Stassney